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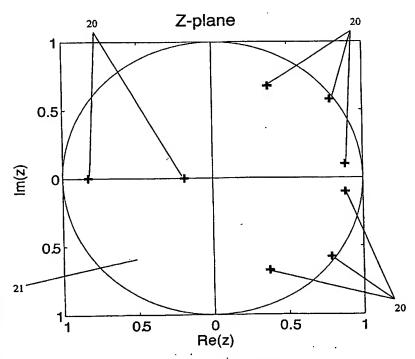
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(57) Abstract: A method for assessing brain state by analysing mammalian brain electoencephalogram ("EEG") recordings using an eighth order autoregressive and fifth order moving average discrete time equation.

8 poles resulting from the 8th order AR & 5th order MA modelling for a single segment of recorded EEG

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